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Beb.10:12-13 But He, when he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God; henceforth expecting till his enemies be made the footstool of his feet.

Looking backward is the arch enemy of youth. To live in the past is to grow old. Lot's wife looked back and was destroyed. Cardinal Gibbons advised,"Until you are forty seek the companionship of men who are older; after that keep a vital contact with those who are younger."

Our text chosen from the letter to the Hevrews in wich the sacrifice which Christ made is contrasted with the old sacrificial system of the Jews. The old system was a dontinual process of appeasing thw wrath of God, a constant lookingk back upon one's sins and mistakes. When Chrst made His sacrifice for sin, he was done with it forever, and sat down at the right hand of God, hendeforth expecting till his enemies be made the footstoolk of his feet.

What a picture of our Savior does our text paint for our imagination to contemplate! Having revealed on Calvary that the love of God toward mankind is constant and triumphant, Jesus sits down to watch the strife and turmoil and growth of mankind thru all the ages, confidently expecting to see all evil overcome and all men freed from the bondage of sin. Men may lose hope for humanity but Jesus never! Others may become disfouraged, but Christ is the eternal optimist! "Henceforth expecting" is the unchangeable attitude of Jesus Christ. Our consideration this morning is this very expectation of great things, this forward look towards ultimate perfection thru the process of struggle experience and improvement.

I. EXPECT GREAT THINGS OF YOUR PHYSICAL LIFE.

Health and strength of body is essential to success. To neglect the body or carelessly use or abuse it is an urgent invitation to Old Age to come quickly; it is flirting with death.

Roosevelt's father's advice to Theodore, nine yrs old,"Toeodore, you have the mind, but you have not the body, and without the help of the body the mind cannot go as far as it should. You must <u>make</u> your body. It is hard drudgery to make one's body, but I know you will do it." The child, flashing his teeth in an expression of determination, said,"I'll make my body". And he did.

II. WE SHOULD EXPECT MUCH OF OUR MINDS AND OUR ENERGIES IN THE CONTRIBUTION OF OUR SHARE TO THE WORK AND SALVATION OF THE WORLD.

"ACcording to thy faith be it unto you" is just as applicable to our daily life and needs as any demonstrated truth of science. Orville Harrold, the great American tenor- 20 yrs old when he graduated from high school. He had to work hard for his advancement. Hut he kept everlastingly at it until, very late in his life he brot the musical world to his feet. When asked how he did it, he said,"I won because I thot I could win"

The picture called, "The Devil's Auction". The devil the auctioneer holding up for sale the one article which he valued above all others- a little wedge having a very sharp edge. He so prized it because it had caused more failures than any of his other devices. It was called Discouragement.

III. WE SHOULD EXPECT HREAT THINGS OF OUR CHILDREN AND LOVED ONES AND FRIENDS.

The story of the "Ruby of Great Price". Abdul Hamid the basket weaver, troubled in his own mind, asked the bamboo tree which grew near his door,"Why should I toil and slave to make a living? Perhaps I shall be the one to make/ discover the Ruby of Great Price and become the Great Mogul. Tomorrow I will start and search until I find it." Came back aged and broken and poor. His astonishment to see his place transformed into a palace and its owned none other than the poor peasant to whom he had sold his humble hut. The peasant had found the Ruby of great price under the very doorstep upon which Abdul Hamid had sat and woven baskets.

Your ruby of great price is not in some stranger or distant place from you- it is in your own mother and father, it is in your own son and daughter, it is in your own bosom friend'. Expect great things of those you love and they will rarely disappoint you.

IV. EXPECT GREAT THINGS OF GOD.

We have had so many wonderful things come to us from science and invention that we no longer doubt the possibility of anything from that source.

But when it comes to our spiritual development and the enrichment of our characters in true goodness and nobility of manhood and womanhood we are not so expectant of great things. And for two reasons.

Gooodness and nobility of character are intangable things, they cannot be handled and seen like the products of science and invention. Again, the development of character comes not be way of discovery so much as by way of experience and evolution. God Himself being invisible, we do not readily see Him back of human affairs, nor clearly discern His influence in the lives of men for good.

There are three ways in which we can train ourselves to maintain an attitude toward God of expectancy.

1.Thru personal communion with God- thru prayer.

"Lord, teach us how to pray!
"Teach us to pray,
In accents measured by thy truth,
Thy love divine!
Teach us the way that leads past earthly night
To gates of dawn,
And everlasting day.
O Master of our way,
Teach us to pray!
Teach us to pray!
To hearken by the gate ajar
To unseen chorusses of light,
The chorusses of faith, of praise and peace.
Teach us to reach the far grand measure
Of thy praise divine, O Lord of earth,
Teach us to pray!
Teach us to pray!
In accents measured by thy love,
Remove the earth mist from our eyes
That we may see,
Push thou ajar the gate of time
That we may hear.
And in thy vision glorified,
Lift us to thee,
O Lord and Master of our life
Teach us to pray.

2.The second help to the spiritual life is found in the reading of the Bible. But we must read the Bible with the definite purpose of finding God and studying His ways of dealing with men.

Africa may be called the great field of adventure. But it appeals differently to different ones. To the historian Africa means destroyed nations, tombs and monuments and miles of hiroglifics and

stone carvings to be interpreted.

To the huntsman Africa means endless jungles and encounters with wild animans and wild natives.

To the hard-headed business man Africa is a field for exploitation at hreat risk but also hgre profits.

To the Xn missionary Africa is a dark continent with must be lights up with the gospel of Christ.

To all of these Africa is indeed a field of adventure.

The Bible is much the same thig. To all it is a profitabbe field of adventure. But it is one thig to the historian, another to the poet, stil another to the student of literature or language.

But to the man who wants to find God and the way of personal living which will satisfy God as well as himself the Bible is the most glorious and profitable field of adventure there is to be found.

Here we learn about God and his dealings with men. Here we find God's charatter and purpose revealed in the person of Jesus Christ. In this same person of Christ we find our assurance of eternal life thru immortality. Here we find Saul the chief of sinners convert ed and transformed into the greatest of the apostles. And we discover that the same God who in Bible times worked such wonders for His children of earth is the same towards us today, stands ready to help us and lead us into further realms of goodness and truth.

3. The third way to keep ourselves in expectancy after the manner of Christ seated at the right hand of God is by serving our fellow men.

Jesus went about doing good to his fellow men. Expect great things in serving humanity in every good way, and God will more than meet your expectations.

O how the world needs to have every true follower of Christ imitate their Lord and Master in all good deeds of service.

"The night is dark, storm clouds hang low,
And fitful lights flash thru the gloom.
Men do not know the way to go.
The deeper darkness tokens gloom.
Before the darkness, souls are bowed.
The flaashing lights do but betray
Black question marks upon the cloud;
And men are asking, 'Whither way?'

"The lore of man reveals no light;
Philosophy is blind Before
The growing gloom; and deeper night
Reveals to straining eyes no door.
But in the background, on the cloud
The great interrogations stand,
And hearts in agony are bound,
And 'Whither way?' the souls demand.

"Is there no way? Is there no light?
No, not of man. But o'er the gloom,
The voice of God breaks thru the night,
And Triumph ~~peons~~ paeons o'er the tomb
Of black dead hopes: God lives and reigns.
His everlasting tidings bright
Will heal the wounds and eash the stains,
And make the sad old dark world light.

"Believe in God! Creative power
Responds to faith, makes strong the soul;
And in the awful judgment hour,
No other cure can make thee whole.
'Fear God, 'give glory', worship him'-
Creator of the rolling spheres.
The light of life shall never dim
With him--joy of eternal years.

" Beyond the turbid murky cloud,
There shines the light of endless day;
Beyond the gloom palls that enshroud,
Stretches the holy, heavenly way;
Beyond the anxious questions rise
The glorious answers of our God,
So true, so shure, so just, so wise.
The way?-- The path our Savior trod."